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SUBJECT: PL-480, TITLE I, FY-74

REF: A. STATE 24752; B. LTR TO NORTON, FAS DTD 1/22; C. DACCA 578;

D. DACCA 5424

1. AGR ATTACHE CALLED TO JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION/MIN OF FOOD & CIVIL SUPPLIES MEETING TODAY TO DISCUSS REPORT RECEIVED FROM AMBASSADOR ALI RE HIS MEETING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO. REF (A) RECEIVED JUST PRIOR MEETING SO ABLE CONFIRM DIRE PROSPECTS IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY PL-480, TITLE I WHEAT AND VEG OIL. WITH EXPECTATIONS THAT WHEAT PA FORTHCOMING, WHEAT WAS PROGRAMMED FOR ARRIVAL MARCH/APRIL. DASHES HOPES THEY COULD USE PA TO FINANCE "STANDING" OFFER WHEAT AT FAVORABLE PRICE FROM US SUPPLIER REF B. JOINT SECRETARIES EXPRESSED GREAT DISAPPOINTMENT (APPROACHING PANIC) OVER DELAY ON ISSUANCE PA AND SAID WOULD CAUSE EXTREME HARSHIP.

2. THEY ASK WHERE ARE US WHEAT EXPORTS GOING? COULD THEY ARRANGE A DIVERSION OF 73,000 MT ON A REIMBURSABLE BASIS (USING PL-480,

TITLE I TO REIMBURSE) FOR MARCH/APRIL ARRIVAL BANGLADESH. THEY POINTED OUT THAT UNABLE OBTAIN FOREIGN EXCHANGE FINANCE THE COMMERCIAL WHEAT IMPORTS MENTIONED REF C.

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3. THEY REITERATED REQUEST (PRACTICALLY IMploRED) FEBRUARY ISSUANCE
PA FOR 10,000 MT VEG OIL. IN INTERIM URGED THAT PL-480, TITLE I
AGREEMENT BE FURTHER AMENDED INCLUDE SUFFICIENT FUNDS FINANCE
10,000 MT VEG OIL (REF D). OF COURSE, REQUESTED ADDITIONAL
25,000 MT VEG. OIL FOR FY 1974. STATED NO FOREIGN EXCHANGE OR
IDA CREDITS AVAILABLE FOR VEG OIL.

4. THEY PLAN ASK AMBASSADOR ALI CONTINUE HIS DIALOGUE WITH
ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO.
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